

METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR OPERATING AIRCRAFT LANDING GEARS

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Methods and systems for performing landing gear operations. In one embodiment, a method for retracting a landing gear is useable with an aircraft having a gear door that at least partially covers a gear well when the landing gear is extended. The method can include receiving a first signal during movement of the aircraft down a runway for takeoff. The first signal can correspond to at least a first aspect of motion of the aircraft, such as upward rotation of the aircraft for liftoff. The gear door can be opened in response to receiving the first signal. The method can further include receiving a second signal after the aircraft has lifted off of the runway. The second signal can correspond to a second aspect of motion of the aircraft, such as the aircraft achieving a positive rate of climb. In response to receiving the second signal, the landing gear can be retracted into the gear well.